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## 2015 Special Events

(Date to be announced) **Lamb's Artillery** (Yorktown Battlefield). A volunteer unit depicts the 2<sup>nd</sup> Continental Artillery Regiment commanded by Colonel John Lamb, which saw action at the 1781 Siege of Yorktown. The unit presents artillery programs which feature firing demonstrations of a replica 18-pounder siege gun, the largest siege cannon used by the Americans at Yorktown. Firings take place at 12:15 p.m., 1:15 p.m., 2:15 p.m. and 3:15 p.m. Colonial National Historical Park, Yorktown, VA, (757) 898-2410, Entrance Fee.

(Dates to be announced) **Royal Artillery** (Yorktown Battlefield). A volunteer unit depicts the British Royal Artillery at the 1781 Siege of Yorktown. Programs include live firings of a replica, British cannon, similar to some of the field cannon the British used at Yorktown. Firings take place at 12:15 p.m., 1:15 p.m., 2:15 p.m. and 3:15 p.m. Colonial National Historical Park, Yorktown, VA, (757) 898-2410, Entrance Fee.

January 19<sup>th</sup> **Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday** (Historic Jamestowne and Yorktown Battlefield). **Free entrance** to National Parks and other Federal sites throughout the country. Colonial National Historical Park, Jamestown, VA, (757)856-1200 and Yorktown, VA (757) 898-2410.

February 14-16 **Presidents Day Weekend**. (Historic Jamestowne and Yorktown Battlefield). **Free entrance** to National Parks and other Federal sites throughout the country. Colonial National Historical Park, Jamestown, VA, (757)856-1200 and Yorktown, VA (757) 898-2410.

April 18-19 **First Weekend of National Park Week** (Historic Jamestowne and Yorktown Battlefield). **Free entrance** to National Parks and other Federal sites throughout the country. Colonial National Historical Park, Jamestown, VA, (757)856-1200 and Yorktown, VA (757) 898-2410.

(Date to be announced) **National Park Service Junior Ranger Day** (Jamestown) Special activities for children will enable them to earn a "National" Junior Ranger Patch. Activities have been designed and are presented by high school students from Jamestown High School. Activities include a guided bike ride; living history tours; a "dig box," where children can explore archeology "hands on," and arts and crafts activities. Colonial National Historical Park, Jamestown, VA (757)856-1200. Free entrance.

April 18<sup>th</sup> **National Park Service Junior Ranger Day** (Yorktown) Special activities for children will enable them to earn a "National" Junior Ranger Patch. Colonial National Historical Park, Yorktown, VA (757) 898-2410; Entrance Fee

May 9-10 **Jamestown Landing Day** (Historic Jamestowne). Special programs and tours commemorate the landing of the first settlers at Jamestown in 1607. Colonial National Historical Park, Jamestown, VA, (757) 898-2410 or (757) 856-1200, Entrance Fee. Jointly sponsored by the National Park Service and Preservation Virginia.

May 23-24 **Civil War Weekend** (Yorktown Battlefield). Tactical demonstrations, encampments and a Confederate field hospital interpret the role Yorktown played during the 1862 Peninsula Campaign. On Sunday special Memorial ceremonies will take place at the Yorktown National Cemetery and Confederate Cemetery. Colonial National Historical Park, Yorktown, VA, (757) 898-2410, Entrance Fee.

July 30 **First Assembly Day Commemoration** (Historic Jamestowne). Living history interpreters will reflect on the significance of the first Assembly in 1619 and its impact on the residents of the Virginia Colony. Colonial National Historical Park, Jamestown, VA, (757) 898-2410 or (757) 856-1200, Entrance Fee.

August 25 **National Park Service Birthday** (Historic Jamestowne and Yorktown Battlefield). **Free entrance** to National Parks and other Federal sites throughout the country. Colonial National Historical Park, Jamestown, VA, (757) 856-1200 and Yorktown, VA (757) 898-2410.

(Date to be announced) **Bacon's Rebellion** (Historic Jamestowne). An evening walking tour will relate the details of Bacon's Rebellion as they occurred at Jamestown, including a symbolic burning of the town site. Living history programs during the weekend will highlight the actions of key events of the rebellion. Colonial National Historical Park, Jamestown, VA, (757) 898-2410 or (757) 856-1200, Entrance Fee. Jointly sponsored by the National Park Service and Preservation Virginia.

September 26<sup>th</sup> **Public Lands Day** (Historic Jamestowne and Yorktown Battlefield). **Free entrance** to National Parks and other Federal sites throughout the country. Colonial National Historical Park, Jamestown, VA, (757) 856-1200 and Yorktown, VA (757) 898-2410.

October 10-11 **Commemoration of Virginia Archeology Month and Glassmaking at Jamestown** (Historic Jamestowne). Hands-on activities give children an opportunity to participate in the process of archeology in a simulated dig box. Watch archeologist at work. Special exhibits, tours, and programs let visitors of all ages explore archeology at James Fort. Special programs and glassmaking demonstrations will highlight the importance of this industry and its impact on Jamestown. Colonial National Historical Park, Jamestown, VA, (757) 898-2410 or (757) 856-1200, Entrance Fee. Jointly sponsored by the National Park Service and Preservation Virginia. .

October 17-18 **Yorktown Victory Weekend** (Yorktown Battlefield). Special ranger guided tours and programs help mark the 233rd anniversary of the American and French victory at Yorktown. Colonial National Historical Park, Yorktown, VA, (757) 898-2410. Entrance Fee on Saturday; **Fee Free** on Sunday only. Nearby, complementary events are also held at the [Yorktown Victory Center](#), administered by the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation ([Separate Entrance Fee](#)).

October 19 **Yorktown Day** (Yorktown Battlefield). Ceremonies, a parade and special programs commemorate the 234th anniversary of America's climactic Revolutionary War victory at

Yorktown. Colonial National Historical Park, Yorktown, VA, (757) 898-2410, no entrance fee. Jointly sponsored by the National Park Service and the Yorktown Day Association.

November 11 **Veterans Day** (Historic Jamestowne and Yorktown Battlefield). **Free entrance** to National Parks and other Federal sites throughout the country. Colonial National Historical Park, Jamestown, VA, (757) 856-1200 and Yorktown, VA (757) 898-2410.

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